

Weekly Message

Dear Friend,

It's been a super week for the Food Pantry as we received some amazing food drive donations, including two Super Bowl related!

Tim went down to pick up the 461 cans that our young friends at All Souls Community collected as part of their SOUPer Bowl Monday drive.

For, at least, the 8th time High Point Academy held the annual SOUPER Bowl drive for our Food Pantry. This year there were an incredible 518 cans.



Students from St. Rita School

1,200 boxes of macaroni & cheese came from St. Rita School's Macaroni knockdown.

In honor of Martin Luther King, Jr.'s legacy of giving to those in need, Huntington Hospital employees, physicians and volunteers recently organized a food drive, collecting over 3,000 pounds of nonperishable items and beverages. We are so grateful to all of these groups for their generous support and commitment to helping those facing food insecurity in our community. And, we couldn't provide food to the 500+ households a week we are serving without the help of our amazing volunteers. Over the course of a month, we have nearly 100 regular volunteers who unload food, sort and bag food, stock the shelves, and serve the clients-we are truly doing together what we cannot do alone!

Blessings, and have a lovely weekend, Rabbi Joshua



We can only operate with your help!

Donate today

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Podcast

2023-2 Emergency Motel Program: Updates, Info and Potential Solution

With the winter months bringing cold and rain, Friends In Deed is operating its Bad Weather Supplies distribution, and emergency motel program. With all of the press about this last week, Rabbi Joshua wrote an op-ed in Pasadena Now, which he expands upon in this episode. One potential solution: like the city of LA... Listen now.





Pasadena Outreach Response





Team (PORT)

We're grateful for our partnership with the Pasadena Outreach Response Team (PORT). Their team identifies supportive services and connects clients to our programs to help meet their basic needs. PORT is a street-based approach that engages, assesses, serves and provides links to housing opportunities... <u>Read more</u>

Huntington Hospital Food Drive

Thank you to our friends at Huntington Health for another successful food and beverage drive for our Food Pantry! We are very grateful for the continued support... <u>Read more</u>



Welcome, Olivia!

We have another new team member! Olivia is the Substance Abuse Specialist at Friends In Deed. Previously, Olivia worked as a Drug and Alcohol Counselor in a residential treatment facility with women and women with children. She also worked as a crisis intervention and peer support specialist in a crisis stabilization unit. Olivia received her degree in Substance Use Disorder Counseling... <u>See more</u>

News and Events

Friends In Cheese: Eat. Drink. Give. We're excited to be part of Agnes Pasadena's 2nd annual Friends in Cheese fundraising event on Monday February 27, 2023 at Agnes Restaurant and Cheesery. This year is focused on the Eviction Prevention & Rental Assistance program. The event will feature local chefs, silent auctions, and an opportunity to help the neighborhood! Purchase your tickets <u>here</u>!

Breakfast at TWR

The Women's Room is providing daily continental breakfast to our guests. We are looking for people willing to commit to providing breakfast one or more days per month. Breakfast items can include mini cereal boxes, milk, juice, bread and bagels, bananas, yogurt, or anything else you enjoy in your own home! If you would be interested please contact Jane Armbruster:

janea@friendsindeedpas.org

After all, breakfast is the most important meal of the day!

Bad Weather Supplies Donations

If you are interested in donating supplies of (gently used or new) cold-weather clothing, PPE, or equipment such as tarps and sleeping bags (click on the image on the right to see the full list) please contact Lindsey at lindseyr@friendsindeedpas.org









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